

## Morning Minimum Wage May 2, 2014

Highlights from the Committee on Education and the Workforce Democrats' eForum on the need to raise the national minimum wage



Source: The White House

Raising the minimum wage to \$10.10 would save taxpayers nearly \$46 billion in SNAP expenditures over 10 years.



<u>Source:</u> Center for American Progress & Institute for Research on Labor and Employment

"I know that we need this raise, because without it, none of us will make ends meet. I want to provide for my son and make a good life for him, but it's impossible to make a good life on a minimum wage. With the raise in the minimum wage, I'll be able to spend more time with my son, and see him grow up. Because I was at work all week, I missed my son's first steps, and that hurt me more than anything because the one thing I want to do as a mother is to see my son grow, see his milestones, see him be a kid. But because I'm working, I can't. I need to make sure my son has food, that he has formula and diapers, and I can't do that working \$8 an hour."

-Robyn, of Philadelphia

## **Other Resources**

## **Personal Effect:**

• The Minimum Wage Used to be Enough to Keep Workers Out of Poverty – It's Not Anymore (Economic Policy Institute)

For more, visit:

democrats.edworkforce.house.gov/minimum-wage-resource-clearinghouse

